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Applicants:	Lowe, et al.
Serial No.:	09/762,794 - Case No.: 20276P
Filed:	March 23, 2001
For:	PROTEIN DELIVERY SYSTEM USING HUMAN PAPILLOMA VIRUS VIRUS-LIKE PARTICLES

Art Unit:
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Examiner:
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Assistant Commissioner for Patents
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AMENDMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.116

Sir:

This is in response to the outstanding Office Action mailed July 8, 2002, in the above-identified application, having a THREE (3) month period for response set to expire October 8, 2002. Applicants respectfully request the following amendments be entered and the claims considered in light thereof.

A Notice of Appeal and an Affidavit of Prior Invention under 37 C.F.R. § 1.131 are submitted herewith. Please charge any fees due in connection with this amendment to Merck Deposit Account No. 13-2755. Please credit any overpayment or charge any fee deficiency to Deposit Account No. 13-2755.

REMARKS

Applicants respectfully request reconsideration of the application in view of the foregoing amendments and the following remarks.